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SUBJECT: FRG BRIEFINGS ON INNER-GERMAN NEGOTIATIONS

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1. AT BONN GROUP MEETING JUNE 19, FRG REP (KASTRUP) AT HIS INITIATIVE STATED THAT THERE APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN A MISUNDERSTANDING OF THE INTENTION UNDERLYING FRG QUESTION TO ALLIES CONCERNING THE SITE OF BRIEFINGS ON INNER-GERMAN NEGOTIATIONS. KASTRUP SAID THERE WAS NEVER ANY QUESTION OF DISCONTINUING REPORTING ON AND DISCUSSING THESE MATTERS IN THE BONN GROUP. RATHER, THE FONOFF WAS IN THE DIFFICULT POSITION, IN PASSING INFORMATION ON THESE MATTERS, OF RELYING ON WHAT IS REPORTED FROM FRG PERMANENT REPRESENTATION TO THE GDR. MOREOVER, THE FOREIGN OFFICE SECTION CONCERNED WITH BERLIN WAS NOT IN A GOOD POSITION TO GIVE VERY DETAILED INFORMATION ON HIGHLY COMPLEX AND TECHNICAL MATTERS. THE FOREIGN OFFICE HAD THEREFORE ARRANGED TO HAVE A REP OF FRG PERMANENT REPRESENTATION IN EAST BERLIN (BRAEUTIGAM)
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ATTEND BONN GROUP MEETINGS FROM TIME TO TIME TO GIVE

FIRST-HAND AND FULLER REPORTS ON INNER-GERMAN NEGOTIATIONS AND TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ON DETAILS.

2. ALLIED REPS IN BONN GROUP EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE CLARIFICATION SUMMARIZED ABOVE AND FOR THE HELPFUL READINESS TO MAKE BRAEUTIGAM AVAILABLE TO DESCRIBE MORE FULLY THE DETAILS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.
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